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Letter dated 21 March 2005 from the Permanent Representative of the Democratic Republic of the Congo to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to inform you that, pursuant to the statement by the President of the Security Council dated 2 March 2005 (S/PRST/2005/10) concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Mr. Thomas Lubanga, President of the Union des patriotes congolais (UPC), was detained on 21 March 2005. Mr. Lubanga was immediately transferred to the Makala prison.

My Government further recalls that Mr. Floribert Ndjabu, President of the Front nationaliste integrationniste (FNI), Mr. Goda Sukpa, its former military leader, and Mr. Germain Katanga, of the Forces de resistance patriotiques en Ituri (FRPI), are already under arrest. Mr. Etienne Lona, the military commander of FNI, is reported to have surrendered to the armed forces of the United Nations Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (MONUC).

Mr. Bosco Ianganda, the leader of the military wing of UPC, remains at liberty and continues to cause trouble in Ituri, in an area which is not under the control of the Congolese authorities. Consequently, my Government requests all possible assistance from the Security Council, and from MONUC on the ground, with a view to detaining him.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Atoki **Ileta**
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